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Dear Governor Davis:

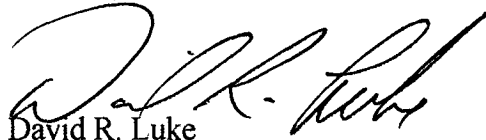
In regard to the CALFED Bay/Delta program, I urge you to consider the following issues:

1. Investment in water efficiency must be looked at seriously and by all users of water in this state--commercial, agriculture and residential. Without efficiency, either wildlife or commerce will suffer. Eventually, we will all suffer with a declining quality of water, wildlife, and business.
2. Restoration of our rivers and bays. This is essential to a strong fishing and tourist industry in California, not to mention the future health of the state.
3. Taxpayers should not pay for the studies of new dams. This is an outdated way of looking at ways to provide water and flood protection for the next century, and will not be tolerated by the electorate.

We live in a great state. We have at our disposal some of the richest resources found anywhere in the world. Unfortunately, as you are very well aware, these resources are facing a huge onslaught of pressures as we enter the 21st century; population will increase, and business will continue to prosper and expand, and resources will continually be sought out for commerce and recreation. This, however, does not have to be at the expense of our future economic and ecological health.

At the core of this issue between resources and growth, one thing becomes obvious: We must continue to look at prudent and sustainable ways of doing business. To do anything less would be "selling out" to our posterity.

Sincerely,



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